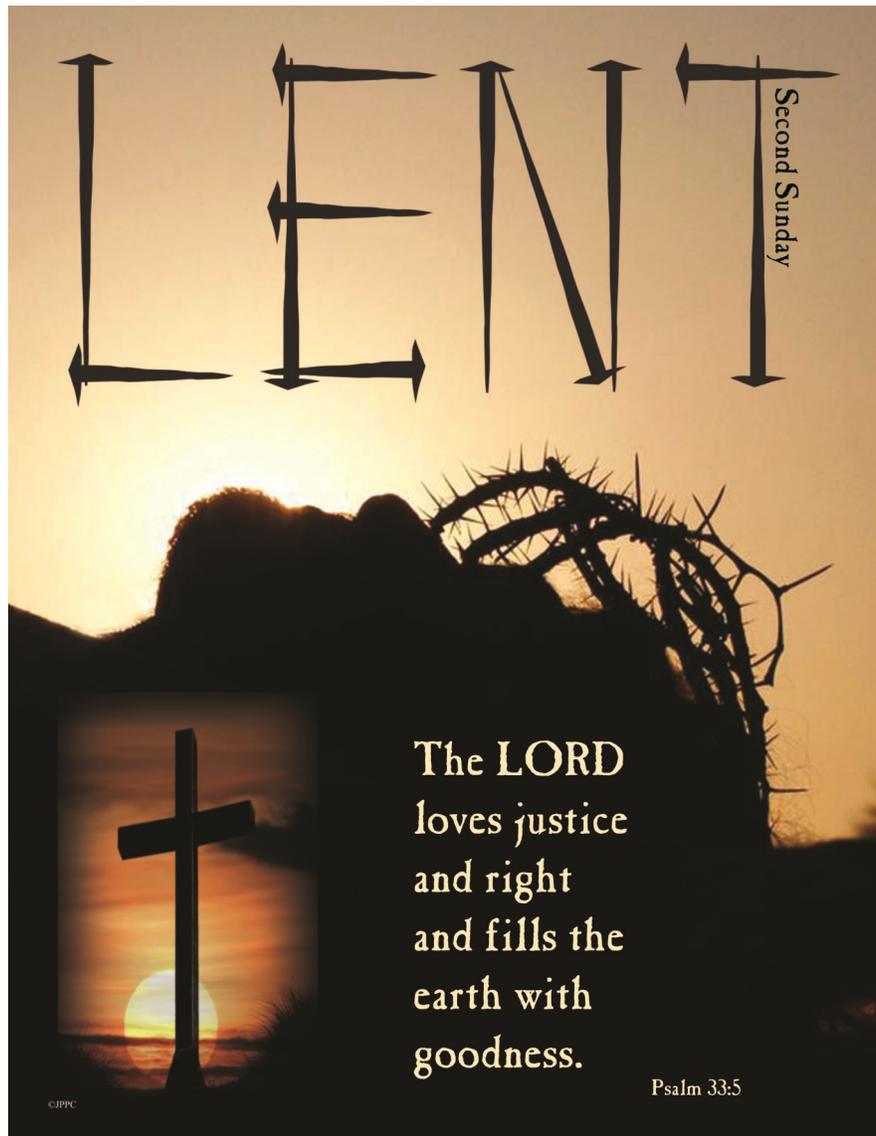


The Church of Our Lady of Guadalupe

BUCKINGHAM, PENNSYLVANIA

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 25, 2018



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See details on page 2.



ABOUT OUR PARISH

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 P.M.

SUNDAY 8 A.M., 9:30 A.M. AND 11 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY 8 A.M.

Daily Rosary at 7:30 a.m. Monday through Saturday.

CONFESSIONS

Thirty minutes before each weekend Mass in church.

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CELEBRATING GROWTH

PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING
OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 24 AND 25
AFTER ALL MASSES

All are invited to enjoy a light reception in the Narthex after Mass to meet our new parishioners. Our Evangelization and Education ministries will be highlighted. They will

have displays and will share information for you to join in their good works.

*Grow
in Christ*

FROM THE PASTOR

RECOMMENDED READING

Chaput: Toward a deeper experience of Lent

For more details see the full article and links on:

www.olguadalupe.org/from-the-pastors-desk/

Matrimony: Rediscovering Its Truth

Saturday, April 21, 10 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

www.olguadalupe.org/parish-news-events/

Archbishop Chaput Regarding Shooting at H.S. in Florida

"Nineteen years ago I sat with the parents of children murdered in the Columbine H.S. massacre, and buried some of their dead. Nothing seems to change, no matter how brutal the cost. Terrible things happen; pious statements are released, and the nation goes back to its self-absorbed distractions.

The latest massacre in south Florida requires two things from all of us. We need to pray for the victims and their families because -- as I witnessed firsthand at Columbine -- their suffering is intense and long lasting. And we need to be angry: angry at our lawmakers for doing so little to prevent these catastrophes; angry at our news and entertainment media for simultaneously feeding off these tragedies and fueling them with a steady stream of sensationalism and moral incoherence; angry at ourselves for perversely tolerating these things, and then forgetting them until the next round of violence.

This is Lent. As a people, we have a lot to repent and confess. And let's not lie to ourselves that tighter gun restrictions -- as vital and urgent as they now are -- will solve the problem. We've lost our respect for human life on a much broader scale, and this is the utterly predictable result."

+Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., Archbishop of Philadelphia



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Representative Marguerite Quinn

215-489-2126 (Doylestown)

717-772-1413 (Harrisburg)

Senator Charles T. McIlhinney

215-489-5000 (Doylestown)

717-787-7305 (Harrisburg)

Representative Brian Fitzpatrick

215-579-8102 (Langhorne)

202-225-4276 (Washington DC)

Read more on the OLG homepage:

www.olguadalupe.org

Weekly Intentions

- 8 a.m. **Monday, February 26, Lenten Weekday**
Jack Heums
Requested by the MacMillan Family
- 8 a.m. **Tuesday, February 27, Lenten Weekday**
Emily V. Mikolosky
Requested by Edward P. Mikolosky
- 8 a.m. **Wednesday, February 28**
Lenten Weekday
Frances Edwards
Requested by Patti Riley & Brian Comeau
- 8 a.m. **Thursday, March 1, Lenten Weekday**
Carolyn Quatra
Requested by the Symons Family
- 8 a.m. **FIRST Friday, March 2, Lenten Weekday**
Christopher Zikmund
Requested by the Zikmund Family
- 8 a.m. **Saturday, March 3**
Saint Katherine Drexel
Joseph Canfield
Requested by the Joseph and Sue Ann Beck

Week of February 25, 2018

Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine Candles

In memory of Regina Christian
Requested by Patricia, Caitlyn and Ryan Omensetter

In memory of John (Jack) McDonald
Requested by the Abbonizio Family

Purchase a candle in the OLG Shrine or an altar candle (\$15) in honor of your special intention. Contact the Parish Office.

Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 22, 1-2. 9. 10-13. 15-18
The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.

Psalms 116, 10. 15. 16-17. 18-19
*I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living.*

Romans 8, 31-34
God did not spare his own Son.

Mark 9, 2-10
*Abraham offers the ultimate sacrifice of thanksgiving,
the gift of his very son. This sacrifice prefigures the sacrifice
of Jesus who died for us all. In his transfiguration,
Jesus discloses a suffering messiahship.*

Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20, 1-17, Psalm 19, 8. 9. 10. 11,
1 Corinthians 1, 22-25, John 2, 13-25

July 18-27, 2020! OLG Music
Ministry Trip Abroad



Informational Meeting

Sunday, February 25, St. Juan Diego Chapel, After 11 a.m. Mass

OLG Music Ministry is planning our second trip abroad! The itinerary is Prague, Vienna, and Salzburg.

PARISH MINISTRIES

First Friday, March 2 First Friday Observation



First Friday is a special time of grace and blessing, as it enables us, through Eucharistic Adoration, to grow closer to Our Lord, Who is present Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Most Blessed Sacrament. First Friday is a time to slow down a bit and receive God's love into our hearts, so we in turn can give that love to others. Eucharistic Adoration is a great way to focus on Jesus and be refreshed in His service!

How can I get Involved in this Special Time?

Visit the Saint Juan Diego Chapel in OLG Church and spend some quiet time in prayer with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The chapel will be open after the 8 a.m. Mass until the Benediction at 4 p.m. Sign up for a half-hour of Eucharistic Adoration today. Or just show up! To sign up, please utilize the following SignUp Genius link:

www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E4EACAC23A31-first22

OLG Prayer Line

We invite you to join us in praying for the following people:

Aden ♦ Armondo Aldonardo ♦ Baby W ♦ Barbara ♦ Johnny Barrett ♦ Jeanette Belz ♦ Michelene Bolsar ♦ Theresa Brady ♦ Janet Brennan ♦ Haley Briggs ♦ Caylen ♦ William J. Cebular ♦ John Connolly ♦ Gary Conover ♦ Maureen Conover ♦ Ed Coyle ♦ Eileen Coyle ♦ Loretta Dadura ♦ Jenny D'Amato ♦ Matt Degennaro ♦ Amanda Marie Dennis ♦ Waylon Dennis ♦ Betty DeMarco ♦ Laura Elvin ♦ William Falvo ♦ Ronan Farrell ♦ Ian Fay ♦ Danny Feltwell ♦ Maria Fisher & Family ♦ James Franks ♦ Nancy Furtek ♦ Tina Galloway ♦ Kevin H. ♦ Marie H. ♦ Joyce Harding ♦ Melanie Salvati Hagan ♦ Edward Jardel ♦ Edward Jensen ♦ Florence Jensen ♦ Consuelo Juson ♦ Amy K. ♦ Kristina & Baby Morgan ♦ Sarah L. ♦ Evelyn Leah ♦ Rev. Peter Lynch ♦ Denise Lynn Mastro ♦ Joey McGuigan ♦ Jacqueline Mekanik ♦ Peter Murphy ♦ Jack & Lennie Paterno ♦ Sarah Paul ♦ Nicole Principe ♦ Rebecca Quick ♦ Ruthie Ross ♦ Geraldine Schnitzel ♦ Susan Schnitzel ♦ Rosanne Steitz ♦ Cindy Suppa ♦ Tiffany ♦ Samantha Thompson ♦ Louise Wasserott ♦ John Wolf ♦ George Z.

To be a member of the "Prayer Team" or to submit a prayer request, contact the Parish Office or email olgprayerline@olguadalupe.org.

All prayer requests will be removed after four weeks.

10th Man-Up
Spirituality Conference
Christ Crucified -
the Power and Wisdom of God
Saturday, March 3
7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Mirenda Center, Neumann University, Aston PA



The conference provides an opportunity for men to come together in true Christian brotherhood and to hear inspirational talks from fellow men on the journey of faith. The day, which will include time for Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, will conclude with Mass. manupphilly.com

PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE, WINTER 2018

PRESENTED BY RICHARD CLARK, CHAIRMAN OF OLG PASTORAL FINANCE COUNCIL

On behalf of the Parish Finance Council and Pastoral Council, following is our semi-annual update on the state of the parish finances. Our primary focus this time will be on our *Weekly Offertory* and what that means. Recall our shared vision - "We are a vibrant, welcoming parish family dedicated to growing disciples and making church matter". St. John Paul II pointed to the local parish as the place where families encounter Christ in very real, practical and pastoral circumstances. We try our best to espouse these ideals in everything that we do here at Our Lady of Guadalupe. Our staff likes to refer to this commitment as the Our Lady of Guadalupe Difference. With this as our backdrop, we suggest that there is no better investment in the world than this local parish.

We want to reinforce that we are so grateful to you, our parishioners, for your faith and your commitment to all that we have achieved over the past several years, as evidenced by our beautiful church, chapel, parish life center and our soon to be beautiful courtyard. As a vibrant and growing parish, we have come a long way and *you* have helped us rise to every financial challenge that we have faced together as a parish. With that said, we once again rely upon your generosity and ask for your continued support and help with our *Weekly Offertory*.

As Catholics, we have a responsibility to support the material needs of the Church. We are in effect obliged to assist with the needs of the Church so that we have what is necessary to assist us with worship, ministry, service and charity to our neighbor. From our founding, we have always been a parish committed to giving of our time, talent and treasure. To that end, we need your help and commitment.

More to the point, you have heard me reference over the past couple of updates that we need to get our Sunday collections to \$32,000 per week to sustain financial solvency. Currently, we are averaging just over \$26,000 per week. As you are aware, we have a \$10.8 million-dollar mortgage for our church & chapel. The PLC and Courtyard are completely self-funded, thanks to your tremendous generosity.

To meet the monthly commitments, as well as to pay for our normal operating expenditures, our collections need to rise to \$32,000 per week by 2020. In that time period, we need gradual increases in collections which are consistent and sustained - which translates to a minimum yearly increase of 6.5% moving forward. In the current fiscal year, we are growing at a rate of 5.5%. But this goal is doable because remember, every challenge that has been placed before us in building this parish community, we have met and even surpassed.

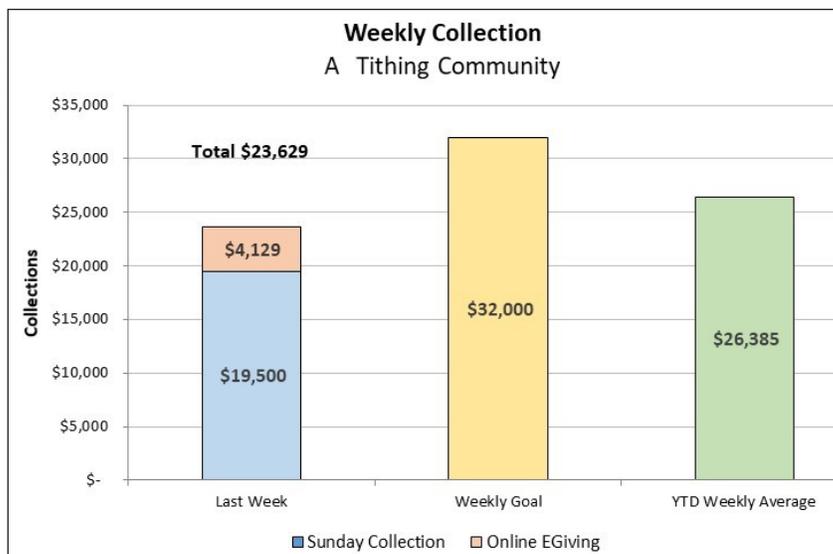
So now, what do we need to do to begin the steps toward this goal of \$32,000 per week for our *Weekly Offertory*? We are asking you to look at your weekly offertory as a percentage of your income and asking everyone to increase your donations to the parish by 1% of your annual income. We understand that this may be a big jump for some, and may not be possible, but for many it is very doable. Others may be able to do even more. There is a handout in the bulletin that will assist you with your decision. Additional information will also be available as we move forward on our parish website and in the bulletin.

At a minimum, we are asking *All* OLG members to take another step toward stewardship with regards to your time, talent and treasure for our parish community. If we all work together we will surely meet our goal. We also ask that you consider **E-giving**, an easy, secure and consistent method of contributing to the parish. You can go to our website or the kiosks in the Narthex to sign-up.

Please know that we need everyone in this church today and those who weren't able to make it, to be fully aware of the situation and to be fully invested in the financial strength of the parish, and more importantly in its spiritual strength. Also know that the Finance Council is meticulous about monitoring our operating expenses and renews contracts with our vendors and suppliers with cost savings always at the forefront. Additionally, our Pastoral Council has as a top priority through the parish strategic plan to reach out to more members of our community to grow our parish, through specific and measured evangelization efforts and endeavors. You may already have noticed the increased attendance at Mass and other activities throughout the week.

We all love our parish home here at OLG and the warm, welcoming environment that you feel every time you walk through the doors, encountering all of the vibrant ministries and services with which you interact on a regular basis. We want to keep this vibrancy alive and growing.

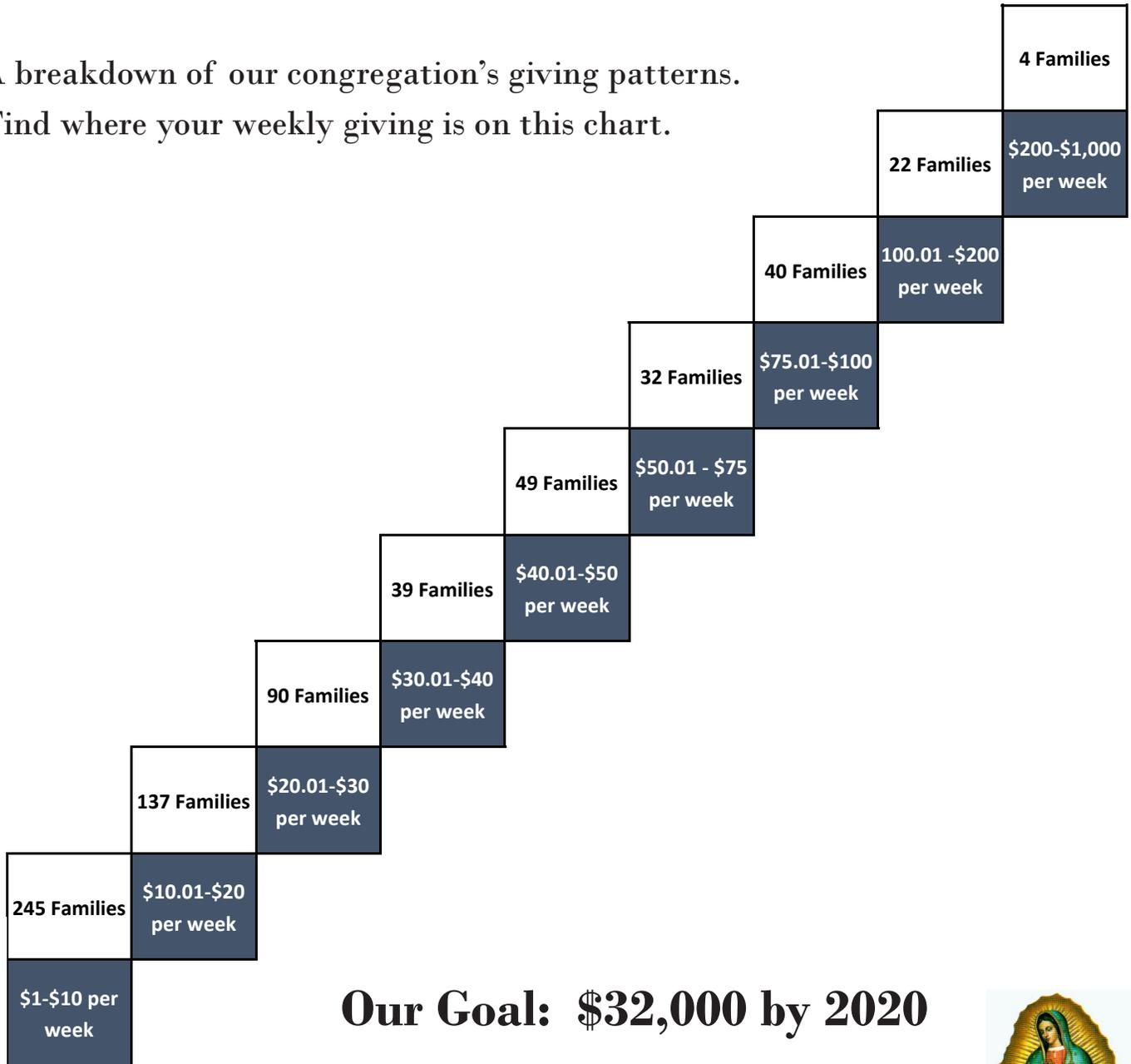
Thank you for your continued example in faith and commitment to our wonderful parish. God bless you and your families.



Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish

2018 Weekly Offertory

A breakdown of our congregation's giving patterns.
Find where your weekly giving is on this chart.



Our Goal: \$32,000 by 2020

**Will you consider increasing
your weekly offertory by
1% of your income?**



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Take the Survey

Parish Survey Open One More Week!

Please help us participate by completing a 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible. To complete the survey go to www.disciplemakerindex.com. There are also opportunities to obtain a paper copy in the Narthex or Parish Office or by contacting Karen Talocci at 267-247-5374.

The survey will only be available until March 5 and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on what efforts the parish is doing to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole.

This information will also be invaluable to Monsignor Gentili, our staff, and our various ministries as we plan ahead and try to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

A Lent to Remember

A Parish-wide Study, Week 2

View the study at home or join us for a small group discussion!

FORMED Lent to Remember: Parish-wide Study

Sunday, February 25, 6:30 p.m., Parish Life Center

Wednesday, February 28, 10 a.m., Parish Life Center

To register for a small group, contact Jessica Walters 267-247-5374 or jwalters@olguadalupe.org. If you have not signed onto FORMED yet, go to olguadalupe.formed.org.

PREP NEWS

Monday and Tuesday, February 26 and 27

First Reconciliation practice, OLG Church

Confirmation Parent Meetings, Parish Life Center

Day of Reflection Retreat

Saturday, March 17



8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$40

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown PA

Knights of Columbus Council 15590 Our Lady of Guadalupe

This day offers men of faith the unique opportunity to engage in a day full of spiritual renewal, a time to reflect on our own journey as catholic gentlemen and a day filled with the opportunity to connect with our spirituality and parish members.

The retreat includes continental breakfast followed by a spiritual conference provided by an OLG priest. Day includes: time for reflection, reading, strolling the grounds, group rosary, confessions and a buffet lunch. The day concludes with Mass that is open to spouses and children of attendees. Retreat is open to all men of our parish as well as surrounding parishes. To register or for further information contact:

Tom Flood, 215-416-4352

tflood@floodsupply.com

Frank Dolski, 215-803-3237

F.Dolski@cbhearthiside.com



Men's Retreat—Malvern Retreat House

Friday evening, March 2 through Sunday morning, March 4

Men of the parish are invited to refresh themselves with faith at a retreat for men. This is a great opportunity for a father and sons retreat. For information, contact Bill Bryson at brysonwj@comcast.net – 215 801 0982.

A Life-Changing Study for the Whole Parish!

Week Two — An Encounter with Mercy

Sin always damages our relationships with God and with others, and, depending on the gravity of the sin, it may even rupture these relationships. Jesus calls us to the Sacrament of Reconciliation not only to forgive us and wash away our sins, but also to heal our wounds and the root causes of our sins. We are not defined by our mistakes; we are defined by the Father's love for us!

This week, login to formed.org and watch *A Lent to Remember*, Episode 2.



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YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT HAPPENINGS

Contact OLG Youth Ministry

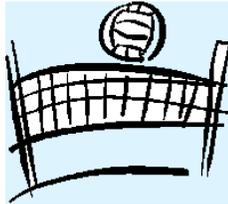
Lisa Kopertowski, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry
youthministry@olguadalupe.org —267-247-5374



March Madness

Saturday, March 3, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Archbishop Ryan high school, Philadelphia

This event is open to all boys in grades 9 through 12. Join us in a fun day of basketball versing the seminarians from St. Charles seminary. Let's give them a run for their money! If interested in attending please contact Mrs. K.



Let's Play Volleyball!

All High School Students
(9th through 12 grades)

Registration is now open for the Youth Ministry High School Volleyball League. *You do not have to be in the Youth Ministry to participate.* This is open to any student, who wants to have a lot of fun. No talent required, just a good team spirit.

The season begins in April and runs through the mid-May. There are approximately eight games, (not including playoffs) and there is usually just one game per week (Monday through Thursday). The registration fee is \$40. Practices will start soon at the SMG Sportsplex in Warminster. If you can't make all practices or games, because of a conflict, that is fine, however we ask that you come when you can. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board in the Narthex, or by contacting Mrs. K at youthministry@olguadalupe.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Attention 7th and 8th Grade Students!

Sundays, 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Blessed Frassati Youth Room, 2nd Floor, Parish Life Center

Attention High School Students!

Sundays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Blessed Frassati Youth Room, 2nd Floor, Parish Life Center

Sunday, February 25 – Meetings

Save the Date!

Our Lady of Guadalupe's
1st POOR MAN'S SUPPER

Saturday Evening, March 24

6 to 8 p.m., Parish Life Center

Sponsored by the Face to Face Ministry

Look for more details in next weeks bulletin.

OLG Online Registration Available CYO Track and Field



Do you want to be part of a fun sport with lots of events to choose from? All parish children in 3rd through 8th grade are welcome to join. Third graders must have been born in 2008. Contact Coach Clare Daniels (215-662-7658 or clareodaniels@gmail.com) with questions.

Events include:

short and long distance relay races
shot put long jump high jump

To register please go to the web site:

<http://www.olgsports.org> and select "Track Registration".

Ladies of OLG

All Ladies of the Parish are invited to upcoming meeting.

BUNCO Night

Thursday, March 22, 6:45 to
8:30 p.m., PLC Social Hall

Whether first-time player or a regular to BUNCO, this is for you! Save the date now and look for more details in the coming weeks.



Rachel's Vineyard Retreats for Healing After Abortion

Rachel's Vineyard is an extraordinary opportunity for any person who struggles with emotional and spiritual pain of past abortion(s). The weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. There are many exercises to help you grieve your loss and an opportunity to understand and release the deep feelings of anger, shame, guilt, and grief that frequently accompanies an abortion experience. This process is extremely helpful for those who struggle with forgiving themselves or others. Rachel's Vineyard is a "therapy for the soul" which combines a unique and creative process for psychological and spiritual healing.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing after Abortion

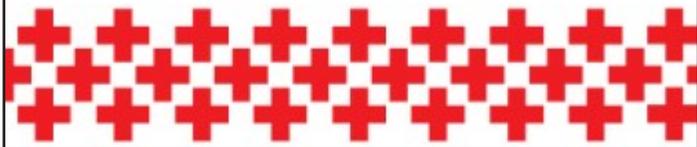
April 13 to 15, 2018

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown

For more information please call Evelyn at (215) 317-5752.

www.rachelsvineyard.org All requests are strictly confidential.

Give blood. Help save lives.



American Red Cross Blood Drive Our Lady of Guadalupe

Parish Life Center
5194 Cold Spring Creamery Road
Doylestown, PA 18902

**Wednesday, March 7, 2018
2:00 PM to 7:00 PM**

Appointments are Preferred.
Please register at www.redcrossblood.org
and enter sponsor code: guadalupe
OR Contact Carl Sapelli at OLGGiveBlood@gmail.com
Dial: 1-800-RED CROSS
for any additional information.

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MARCH 8, 2018
9:30 TO 10:30 AM

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of the National Junior Honor
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session with Mrs. Dawn
Parker, Principal.



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THE REGINA ACADEMY at ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



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Monday, February 26th
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